

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Workforce Development, Forestry, Mining, and Revenue

Senate Bill 543

Relating to: eligibility requirements under the managed forest land program relating to parcel size and production of merchantable timber, management plans for managed forest lands, orders adding and withdrawing managed forest land, renewal of orders designating managed forest land, areas of managed forest lands that are open for public access, allowing managed forest lands to be used for recreational activities, regulation of cutting of timber on managed forest land and on forest croplands, withdrawal taxes and fees imposed on the withdrawal of managed forest land and yield taxes imposed for cutting timber from managed forest land, the sale or transfer of managed forest land, expiration of orders designating managed forest land, withdrawal of forest croplands that are held in trust for Indian tribes, a study of the managed forest land program, a report on exempt withdrawals from the managed forest land program and the forest cropland program, elimination of references to the woodland tax law, granting rule-making authority, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

By Senator Tiffany; cosponsored by Representatives Mursau and Clark., by request of Wisconsin Council on Forestry

February 05, 2014 Referred to Committee on Workforce Development, Forestry, Mining, and Revenue

March 19, 2014 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (5) Senator Tiffany; Senators Darling, Grothman, Jauch and Lehman.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Jeff Mursau - State Representative - 36th Assembly District
- Fred Clark - State Representative - 81st Assembly District
- Bill O'Brion - WI SAF/Plum Creek
- Nancy Bozek - WI Woodland Owners Association
- George Meyer - WI Wildlife Federation; Wisconsin Association of Beagle Clubs
- Kim Quast - Wisconsin Consulting Foresters Association

Appearances Against

- Lynn Neeck - Wisconsin County Treasurer's Association
- Jerry Johnson

Appearances for Information Only

- Bob Mather - WI Department of Natural Resources
- Kathy Nelson - WI Department of Natural Resources
- Sheryl Albers - Office of State Senator Dale Schultz
- Jon Minneci - Office of State Senator Dale Schultz
- Douglas Duren - WI Alliance of Forest Owners
- Rick Kalvege
- Robert Benson - Woodland Owners
- Richard Wedepohl - Private Woodland Owners

Registrations For

- Henry Schienebeck - Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association
- Mary McCarthy - The Nature Conservancy
- Gerry Mich

Registrations Against

- Adam Gallagher - Wisconsin County Treasurer's Association
- Tim Pulskamp - Futurewood Corp
- Bill Johnson - Johnson Timber
- Kyle Christianson - Wisconsin Counties Association

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

April 08, 2014

Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1

Eric Searing
Committee Clerk